

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Sengupta, et al

Art Unit: 1723

Serial No. 10/812,450

Examiner: K. Menon

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For: THREE-PORT HIGH PERFORMANCE MINI  
HOLLOW FIBER MEMBRANE CONTACTOR

**Preliminary Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed with an RCE in reply to the Office Action dated October 13, 2006.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on Page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 15.

**132 Declaration** is attached.